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CONTINUED PROSECUTION APPLICATION (CPA) REQUEST TRANSMITTAL (Large Entity) Submit an original, and a duplicate for fee processing. <i>(Only for Continuation or Divisional Applications Under 37 CFR 1.53(d))</i>				Docket No. <i>MP/84</i> MP/84	
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First Named Inventor		Examiner		Group/Art Unit	
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Address to: Assistant Commissioner for Patents Box CPA Washington, D.C. 20231					
This is a request for filing a <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> continuation, or <input type="checkbox"/> divisional application under 37 CFR 1.53(d). (continued prosecution application (CPA)) of prior application number <u>08/499,423</u> filed on <u>July 7, 1995</u> and entitled:					
INTERIOR LINER FOR TUBES, PIPES AND BLOOD CONDUITS					
1. <input type="checkbox"/> Enter the unentered amendment previously filed on _____ under 37 CFR 1.116 in the prior nonprovisional application.					
2. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A preliminary amendment is enclosed.					
3. <input type="checkbox"/> This application is being filed by fewer than all the inventors named in the prior application, 37 CFR 1.53(d)(4).					
a. <input type="checkbox"/> DELETE the following inventor(s) named in the prior nonprovisional application:					
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5. <input type="checkbox"/> An Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) is enclosed:					
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6. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The fee for this application is calculated as follows:					
CLAIMS AS FILED					
For	#Filed	#Allowed	#Extra	Rate	Fee
Total Claims	91	- 20 =	71	x \$18.00	\$1,278.00
Indep. Claims	3	- 3 =	0	x \$78.00	\$0.00
Multiple Dependent Claims (check if applicable) <input type="checkbox"/>					\$0.00
BASIC FEE					\$690.00
TOTAL FILING FEE					\$1,968.00

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7. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit overpayments or charge the following fees to
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- ☒ fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16.
- ☒ fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.17.
- ☐ fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.18.

8. ☐ A check in the amount of _____ is enclosed.

9. ☐ Also enclosed:

10. ☐ The prior application's correspondence address will carry over to this CPA UNLESS a new correspondence address is provided below:

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FILING QUALIFICATIONS: The prior application must be a nonprovisional application that is either: (1) complete as defined by 37 C.F.R. 1.51(b), or (2) the national stage of an international application in compliance with 35 U.S.C. 371. A Notice will be placed on a patent issuing from a CPA, except for reissues and designs, to the effect that the patent issued on a CPA and is subject to the twenty-year patent term provisions of 35 USC 154(a)(2). Therefore, the prior application of a CPA may have been filed before, on or after June 8, 1995.

C-I-P NOT PERMITTED: A continuation-in-part application cannot be filed as a CPA under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(d), but must be filed under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b).

EXPRESS ABANDONMENT OF PRIOR APPLICATION: The filing of this CPA is a request to expressly abandon the prior application as of the filing date of the request for a CPA. 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b) must be used to file a continuation, divisional or continuation-in-part of an application that is not to be abandoned.

ACCESS TO PRIOR APPLICATION: The filing of this CPA will be construed to include a waiver of confidentiality by the Applicant under 35 U.S.C. 122 to the extent that any member of the public who is entitled under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.14 to access to, copies of, or information concerning, the prior application may be given similar access to, copies of, or similar information concerning, the other application or application in the file jacket.

35 U.S.C. 120 STATEMENT: In a CPA, no reference to the prior application is needed in the first sentence of the specification and none should be submitted. If a sentence referencing the prior application is submitted, it will not be entered. A request for a CPA is the specific reference required by 35 U.S.C. 120 and to every application assigned the application number identified in such request, 37 C.F.R. 1.78(a).

Dated: September 29, 2000


Signature

Wayne D. House

Typed or printed name

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Registration Number (if applicable)

- ☐ Inventor(s)
☐ Assignee of complete interest
☒ Attorney or agent of record

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Attorney Docket No. MP/84

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICEIn re Application of:
CAMPBELL et al.

Serial No. 08/499,423

Filed: July 7, 1995

For: INTERIOR LINER FOR TUBES,
PIPES AND BLOOD CONDUITS

Group Art Unit: 3738

Examiner: Milano, M.

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claims 36-41 and 98-117 are canceled without prejudice at this time as a result of the
previous restriction requirement.

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B1
Claim 1. (twice amended):

1. An article comprising a [porous] polymeric tube having a circumference wherein the
circumference of said [porous] polymeric tube increases in response to the application of internal
pressure up to a second circumference, thereafter the polymeric tube itself limits further growth in
the circumference so as to remain[ing] substantially unchanged with further increasing internal
pressure.

Sub
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Claim 33. (twice amended):

33. An article comprising a [porous] polymeric tube having a first circumference at a first
internal pressure of atmospheric pressure, a second circumference at a second internal pressure
of greater than atmospheric pressure, said second circumference being greater than the first
circumference, wherein upon applying an internal pressure greater than the second internal
pressure, the [porous] polymeric tube itself limits further growth to [still] substantially [has] the
second circumference.